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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 27, 2002. In the Office Action, the only rejection was a non-statutory double-patenting rejection rejecting claims 1-9 in view of claims 1-9 of U.S. Patent No. 6, 250,392. Accompanying this Amendment is an appropriate Terminal Disclaimer, thereby rendering this rejection moot.